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Notice of Allowability	Application No.		Applicant(s)	
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	Examiner		Art Unit	
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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amdt on February 25, 2005.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1 - 12.
3. ☒ The drawings filed on April 12, 2005 (replacements) are accepted by the Examiner.
4. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
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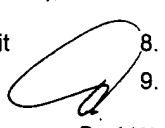
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6. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
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7. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

1. This office action is in response to Amendment filed on February 25, 2005:
2. Claims **13 – 54** have been cancelled.
3. Claims **1** and **10** have been amended.
4. Claims **1 – 12** are presented for examination.

Drawings

5. The drawings were received on April 12, 2005. These drawings are accepted by the examiner.

Allowable Subject Matter

6. Claims **1 – 12** are allowed.
7. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims **1 – 12** are allowable over the prior art of record because none of the prior art whether taken singularly or in combination, especially when these limitations are considered within the specific combination claimed, to teach:

Charging a matchline of a match detection circuit of a CAM to a first voltage level different than a ground potential; and among other limitations as cited in the independent claims 1 and 10.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion


Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Long K. Tran whose telephone number is 571-272-1797. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Thu.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, David Nelms can be reached on 571-272-1787. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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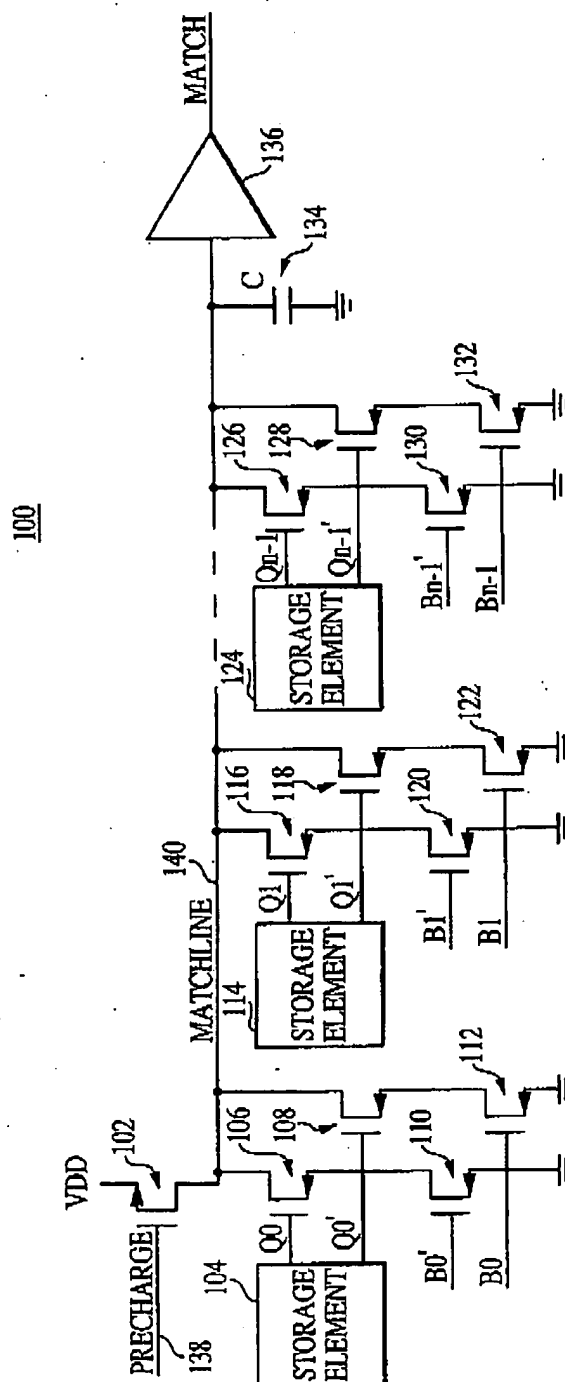


FIG. 1
PRIOR ART

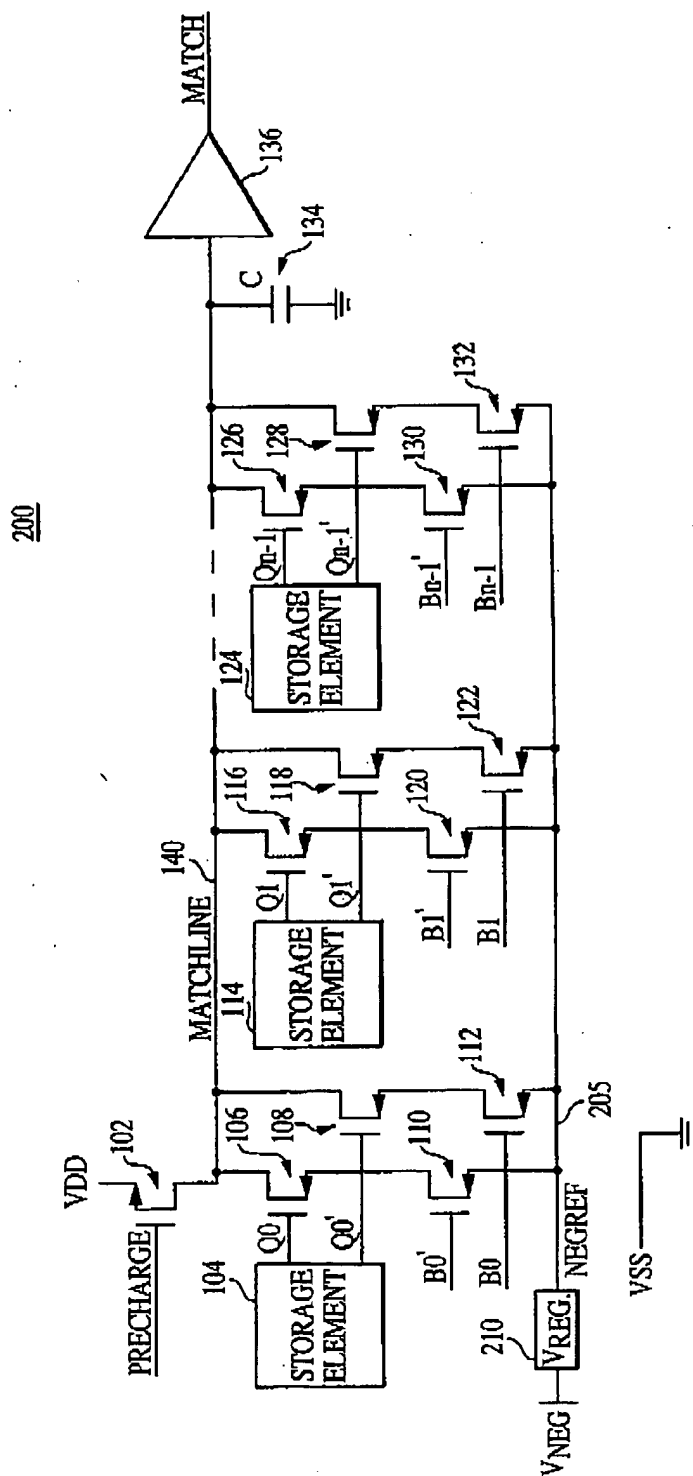
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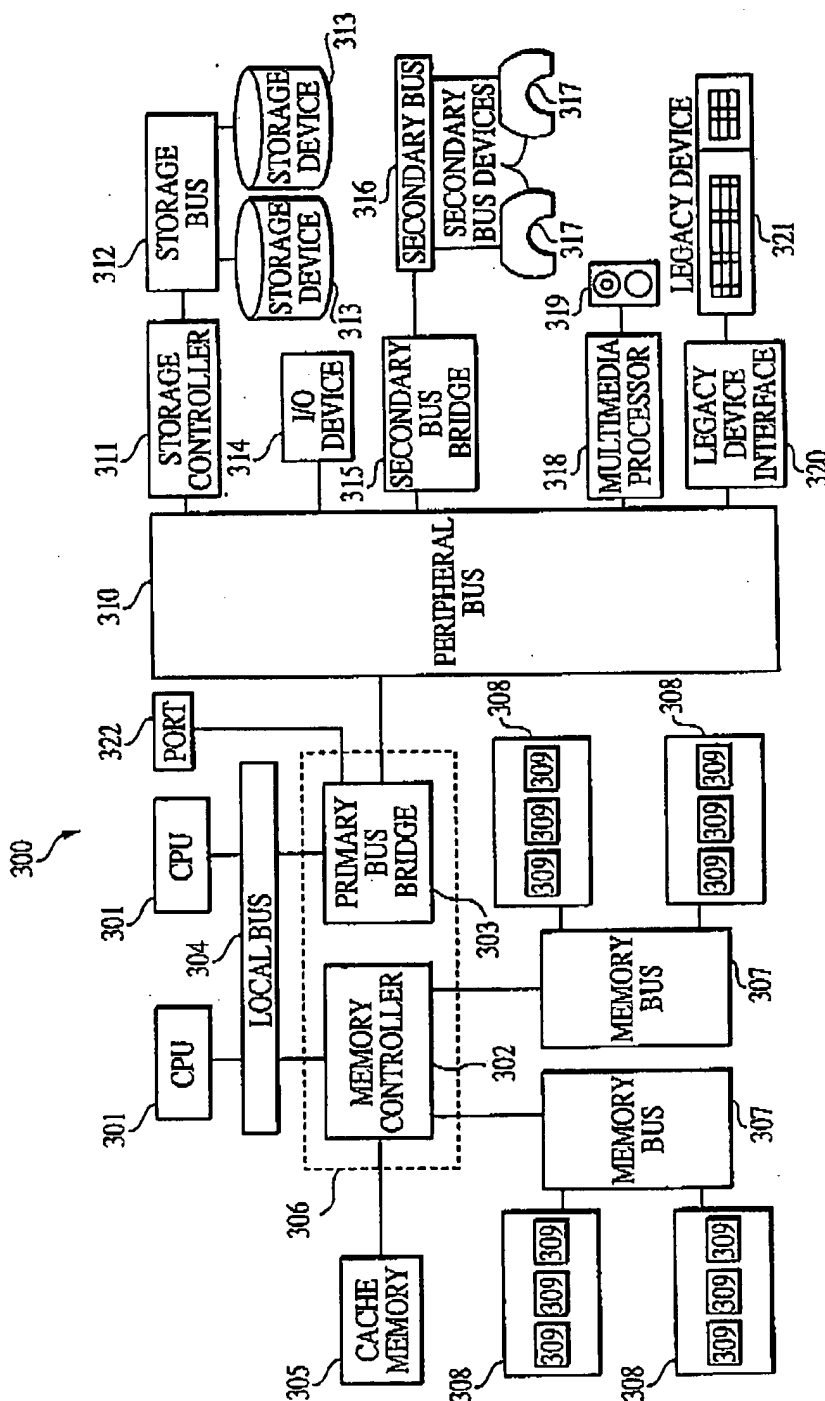


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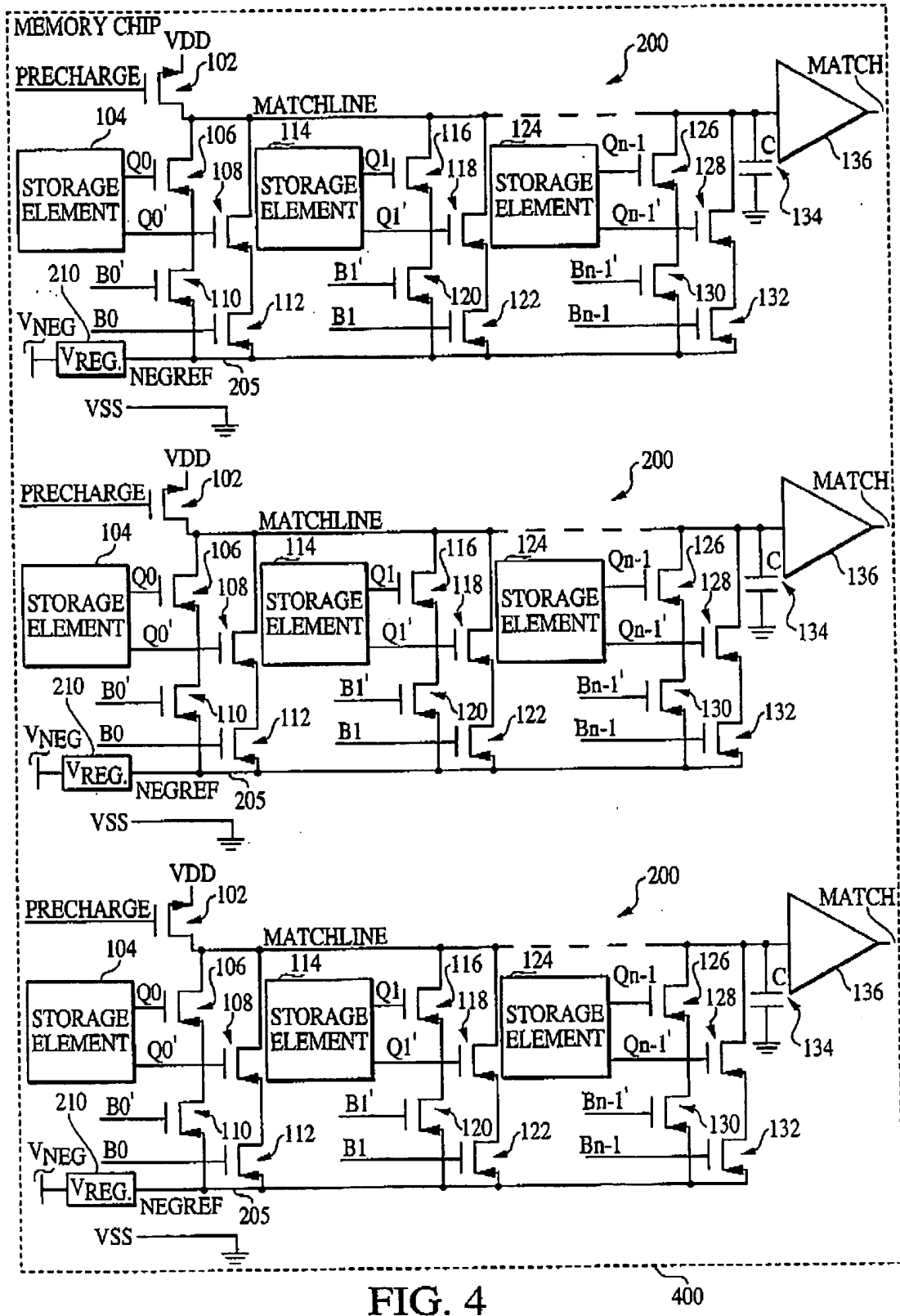
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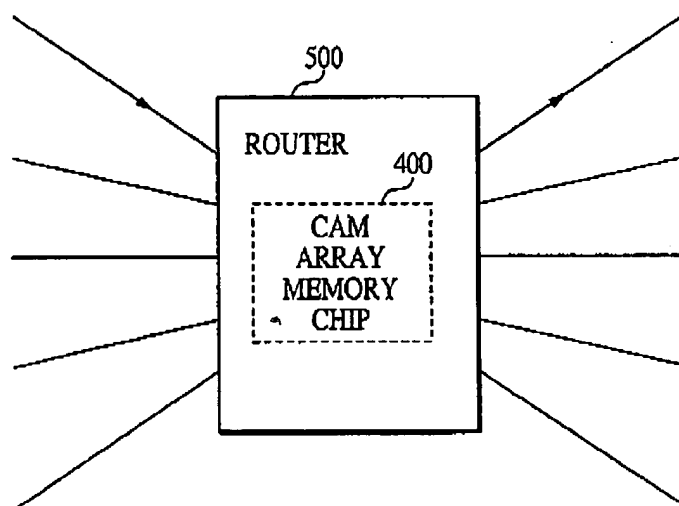


FIG. 5

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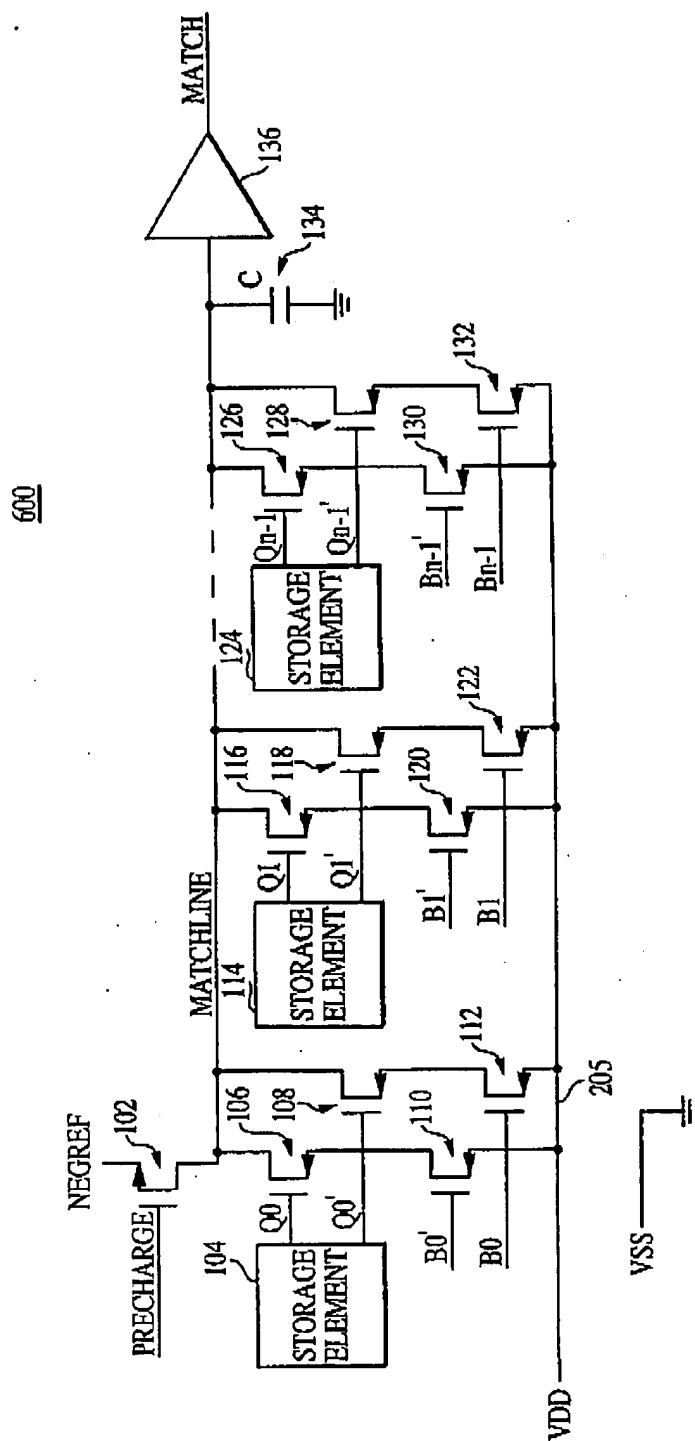


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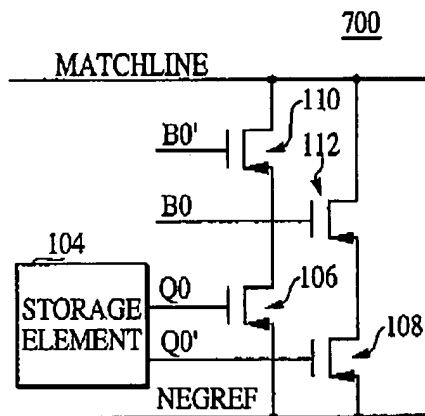


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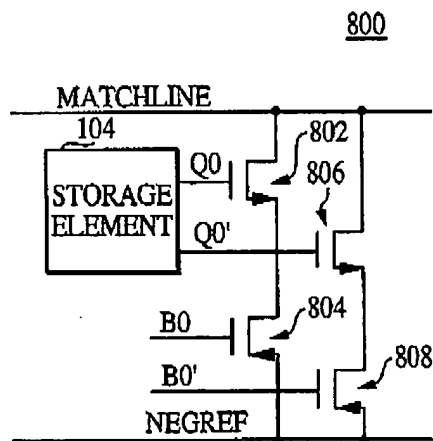


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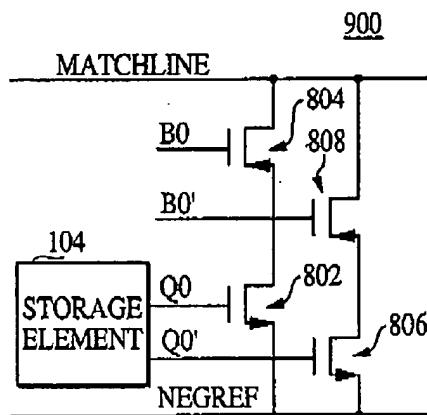


FIG. 9

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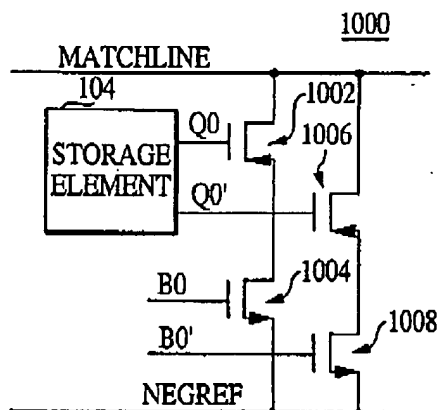


FIG. 10

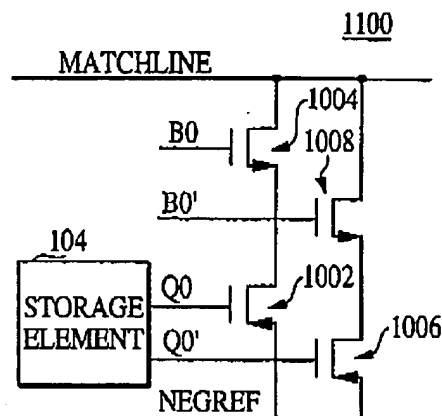


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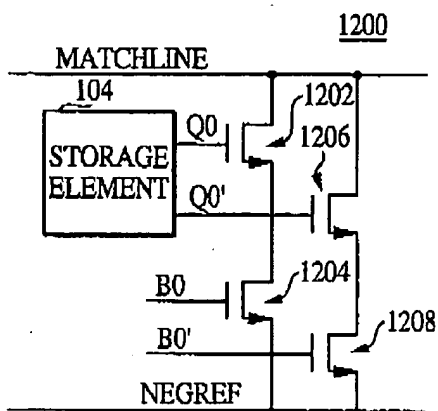


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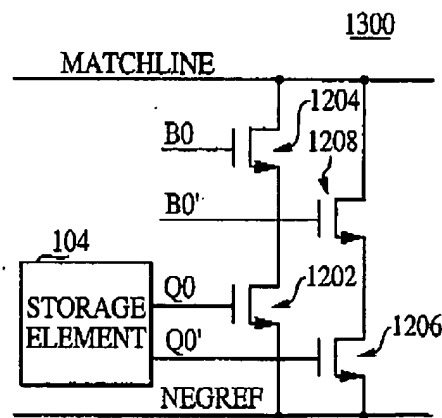


FIG. 13